

YOUNG OFFENDERS FOREST CONSERVATION PROGRAM

B.R.I.D.G.E.

Building
Rehabilitating
Instructing
Developing
Growing
Employing



PROGRAM FACTS

- ◉ Established in 1986
- ◉ Multiagency Cooperative Program - Adult Corrections, Forest Service, and Community College
- ◉ Enrolls 75 Well-trained and Equipped Wildland Fire Fighting Crewmen
- ◉ Available 24/7
- ◉ 32 County Operating Area
- ◉ Crewmen Hours Worked
1987 – 2013 = 2,480,157



PROGRAM FACTS

- ◉ 13 Firefighting Crews - 1 Carpentry Crew
- ◉ Cost Savings for the State of North Carolina
- ◉ Crewman Gain Employment and Life Skills
- ◉ Low Recidivism Rate



MISSION

- Fire Suppression
- Helitack
- Control Burning



DISASTER RELIEF ASSISTANCE

- ◉ Floods
- ◉ Hurricanes



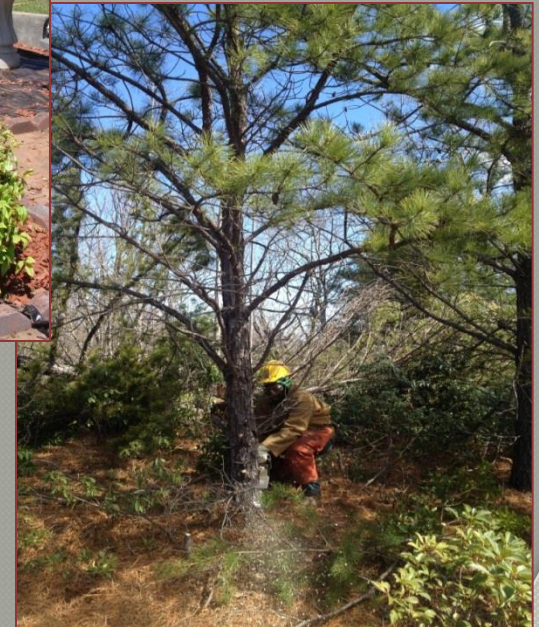
DISASTER RELIEF ASSISTANCE

- ◉ Snow/Ice Storms
- ◉ Vehicle Accidents
- ◉ Tornadoes



SKILLS LEARNED

- CHAINSAW OPERATIONS
- CHIPPING BRUSH
- PRUNE / SHEER TREES
- LANDSCAPING
- FENCE CONSTRUCTION
- TRAIL CONSTRUCTION
- TRAIL MAINTENANCE
- BOUNDARY LINE MAINTENANCE



SKILLS LEARNED



- ◉ FOREST MANAGEMENT WORK
- ◉ TREE PLANTING
- ◉ TIMBER STAND IMPROVEMENT
- ◉ ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS
- ◉ NURSERY OPERATIONS
- ◉ NON-POINT SOURCE POLLUTION



SKILLS LEARNED

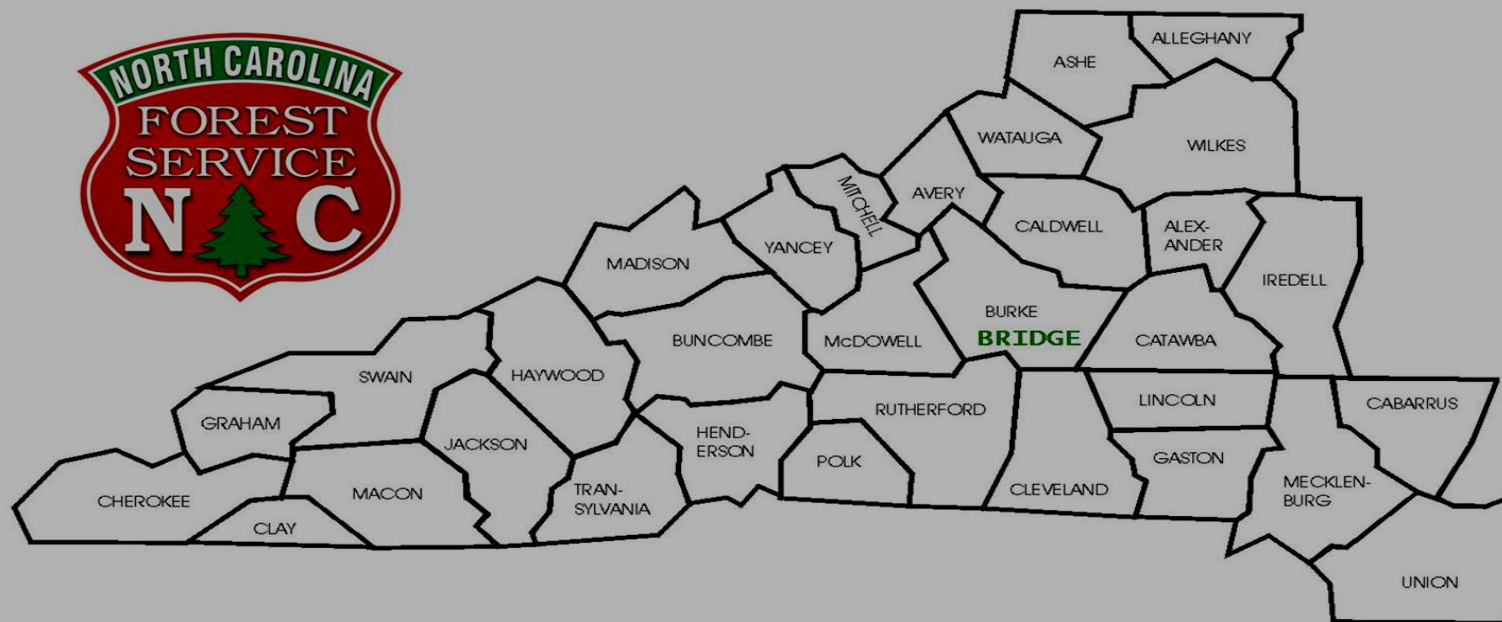
- CARPENTRY
- PAINTING
- CONSTRUCTION
- HAY / STRAW



COST COMPARISON FOR WILDLAND FIRE SUPPRESSION



FUTURE GROWTH



REGION 3 BRIDGE PROGRAM

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